Housing Commission April Regular Meeting

April 24, 2019



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Director

Agenda

- Item 1: Approval of Minutes for March 27, 2019 Meeting
- Item 2: Director's Report
- Item 3: Briefing and Possible Action on the Housing Commission Goals and Priorities
- Item 4: Briefing on the Updated Displacement Prevention Strategy
- Item 5: Presentation of Evaluation Criteria for CDBG/HOME Funding for Rental and Homeownership Development Projects
- Item 6: Presentation on Affordable Housing Legislative Bills
- Item 7: Discussion and Possible Action on Future Agenda Items



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Item 2: Director's Report



Item 3: Briefing and Possible Action on the Housing Commission Goals and Priorities



Housing Commission Goals

Priorities

- Define metrics to stay on track for short-term and long-term goals while implementing best practices
- Engage and educate the public on the resources available and the City's progress on affordable housing
- Advocate for additional funding for affordable housing to help deter displacement, new affordable housing and target deeper affordability

Define metrics to assess 10 yr commitment: defined sig in budget dev process Don't lose sight of fact displacement continues to occur Approach policy making to prevent current displacement · Work within report in ID programs that lead to implementation of goals . Holp golde 10 what is best in class housing program term from other offices making sure we honor insight in monitoring implementation that we stick to repor . Willing to work w staff to ensure costlylog term tactics are reviewed. Develop policies for higher levels of funding . Project mgt. dashboard Grabthe "low hanging fruit" and use as momentum · Continue to let community know what we're doing · As we Protect vulnerable populations as policies that don't push out · Education of resources · Help people stoy in their homes . find mechanisms to help the most vulnerable (30% AMI)



Housing Commission Goals: Updated

Goals

- Oversee the implementation of the Mayor's Housing Policy Task Force priorities: Develop a Coordinated Housing System; Increase City Investment in Housing; Increase Affordable Housing Production, Rehabilitation, and Preservation; Protect and Promote Neighborhoods by preventing displacement; Ensure Accountability to the Public by creating a collaborative ecosystem of communication between community, city staff, and public officials.
- Implement a holistic and comprehensive displacement prevention strategy
- Engage and educate the public on the importance of affordable housing and resources available to prevent and mitigate to include mutual education to occur between City and the communities it serves.



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- Engage and educate the public on the resources available and the performance of the commission to prevent displacement and increase quality of resident's life



Housing Commission Goals: Updated

Goals (Cont.)

- Cultivate partnerships and leverage cross-sector resources in the coordination and delivery of housing
- Focus on Equity and Advocate for additional funding for affordable housing to expand new affordable housing, prevent displacement, and increased affordable housing with deeper affordability targets
- Define <u>Outcomes and People-Focused</u> metrics to stay on track for short-term and long-term goals while implementing best practices <u>and</u> <u>engaging impacted communities in evaluation of success</u>



Housing Commission Goals: Original

Goals (Cont.)

- Cultivate relationships with public and agencies for coordination of resources and mutual education ·
- Advocate for additional funding for affordable housing to help deter displacement, build new affordable housing targeting deeper affordability
- Define metrics to stay on track for short-term and long-term goals while implementing best practices



Item 4: Briefing on the Updated Displacement Prevention Strategy



Immediate (April)

- Meeting with COPS Metro
- Hire part-time staff
- Apply for anti-displacement grant
- Develop anti-displacement RFP
- Analyze near-westside (UTSA downtown)

Near Term (October)

- Release anti-displacement RFP
- Analyze anti-displacement reports
- Support state legislation
- Update vulnerable communities assessment data
- Accelerate Neighborhood Empowerment Zones
- Housing Navigators to assist community with tax exemptions
- Expand land title remediation and homeowner legal assistance

Long Term (2020)

- Removing barriers for affordable housing
- Public outreach campaign



Internal Coordination Team

- Michael Rodriguez, NHSD
- Veronica Garcia, CCDO
- Margaret Villegas, Finance
- Melissa Ramirez & Amin Tomaz, DSD
- Rudy Nino, Planning
- Ann Eaton, Economic Development
- Senior Budget Analyst, OMB





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- Develop anti-displacement RFP
- Analyze UTSA downtown impact area





Grounded Solutions Network's ForEveryoneHome Initiative

- 18-month technical assistance & policy consultancy focusing on anti-displacement for communities of color with low incomes
- Peer Cities Network
- Three deliverables:
 - Needs assessment
 - Anti-displacement agenda
 - Implementation guidance on a high-priority item





Core Applicant Team

- Mayor Ron Nirenberg
- Verónica Soto: Director, NHSD
- Lourdes Castro-Ramirez: Chairwoman, Housing Commission
- Jessica O. Guerrero: Vecinos de Mission Trails
- Graciela Sanchez: Esperanza
- Richard Milk: SAHA
- Tuesdae Knight: SAGE





Anti-Displacement RFP

Data Analysis to identify root causes of displacement

Identify and map neighborhoods vulnerable to displacement

Host public engagement meetings

Develop policies and strategies

Create a framework for evaluating policies

Create a implementation plan and time line

Final report



UTSA Downtown Analysis:

- Identify increase in land value
- Change in property ownership
- Development permit trends
- Infrastructure improvement
- Code Enforcement





Item 5: Presentation of Evaluation Criteria for CDBG/HOME Funding for Rental and Homeownership Housing Development Projects



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Housing Commission May and June Agenda

Potential Agenda Items for the May Meeting

- Presentation of Funding Priorities for the FY 2020 Action Plan/Budget
- Presentation on San Antonio Housing Authority's Asset Management



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